

1 November 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

Sir:

7 November 1400 hours

Arrangements have been made for you to present the super-grade promotions in the auditorium on Friday morning, 8 November, at 1030. In conformance with your desires, all promotees will have been previously advised.

I would like to suggest for your consideration several thoughts you might develop in your brief address. They are not so unique that you would not have identified them, but I feel better for recalling them to your attention.

a. If my knowledge of Agency history is correct, and on this one I will make a small wager, Admiral Raborn was the last DCI who summoned all Agency supergrades to a meeting in the auditorium. (His purpose was to lecture them on how to give briefings -- it was a disaster.)

b. Based on the above it would appear in order to identify the audience as those primarily responsible for successful prosecution of the Agency's mission.

c. The successful prosecution by them of the mission is of more importance today than yesterday because of your necessitous involvement in the role of DCI as opposed to the executive head of the Central Intelligence Agency.

d. Your rationale, and concerns, in accepting national television coverage, such as the recent CBS and NBC coverage.

e. Your assessment of Congressional relations.

f. Your explanation of requested legislation to give further protection to "intelligence methods and resources."

/s/ John F. Blake

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Intelligence1) Per discussion with [redacted]  
on 4 November, the presentation  
is changed to Thursday,  
7 November, at 1400 hours.

/s/ John F. Blake

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